

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates.

Please leave room for local dailies and independent newspapers to come up and claim a spot in the industry. Newspapers and other media outlets that embrace the democratic roots need to be respected. For if we do not nurture our democracy it will never become stronger and only become weaker.